Recipients of 2016 Parkston Area Foundation, Opie R. and Helen A. Benson Community Improvement Foundation, and Avera St. Benedict Foundation Grants

Grant awarded to	Amount	Awarded by	Reason	
Parkston Area Development Corporation	\$5,000	PAF	general economic development in Parkston and the surrounding area per discretion of the board.	
First Circuit CASA	\$500	PAF	Help offset the costs of new volunteer training	
VFW Post 3298	\$1,500	Benson	Support VFW community projects	
Dimock Community Park	\$2,500	PAF	park upgrades	
Parkston Rural Ambulance	\$1,500	Avera	Fund the continuing education program for local ambulance drivers for one year	
Milltown Cemetery Association	\$3,000	PAF - \$1,100 Benson - \$1,900	Cleaning and resetting headstones, mowing expenses	
Parkston Country Club	\$3,000	Benson - \$1,600 PAF - \$900 Avera - \$500	Course improvements	

Recipients of 2016 Parkston Area Foundation Educational Assistance Grants

Grant awarded to	Amount	Awarded by	School/Area of Interest
Wesley Genant	\$2,500	PAF	SDSU/Biochem and premed
Josh Rands	\$2,500	PAF	Mitchell Technical Institute/agricultural technology
Sydney Davidson	\$2,500	Dean Simmons Scholarship	Sheridan College/Nursing
Joshua Zwinger (3 rd year)	\$2,500	Dean Simmons Scholarship	SDSU/mechanical engineering
Katie Lucas	\$1,000	Lucille McCright- Leischner Scholarship Fund	SDSU/biology and secondary education
Brooke Bigge	\$1,000	Lucille McCright- Leischner Scholarship Fund	SDSU/music education